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The Reply Brief filed on 27 August 2009 has not been considered because it is not in compliance with 37 CFR 41.41(a).

Firstly, the 27 August 2009 Reply Brief was not filed within the non-extendable time period set in 37 CFR 41.41(a)(1).

37 C.F.R. § 41.41(a)(1) requires, "Appellant may file a reply brief to an examiner's answer within two months from the date of the examiner's answer."

The examiner's answer was mailed on 14 April 2009. The time period for filing a reply brief expired on 14 June 2009.

Secondly, the 27 August 2009 Reply Brief included a new or non-admitted amendment.

37 C.F.R. § 41.41(a)(2) requires, "A reply brief shall not include any new or non-admitted amendment, or any new or non-admitted affidavit or other evidence."

37 C.F.R. § 41.41(b) states, "A reply brief that is not in compliance with paragraph (a) of this section will not be considered. Appellant will be notified if a reply brief is not in compliance with paragraph (a) of this section."

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